

## THE STATE SONG

By an act of the General Assembly of 1927, the song known as "The Old North State" was legally adopted as the official song of the State of North Carolina.

# THE OLD NORTH STATE

(Traditional air as sung in 1926)

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*With spirit*

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1. Car - o - li - nal Car - o - li - nal heav-en's bless-ings at - tend her,  
2. Tho' she en - vies not oth - ers, their mer - it - ed glo - ry,  
3. Then let all those who love us, love the land that we live in,

While we live we will cher - ish, pro - tect and de-fend her, Tho' the  
Say whose name stands the fore - most, in lib - er - ty's sto - ry, Tho' too  
As hap - py a re - gion as on this side of heav-en, Where

scorn - er may sneer at and wit - lings de - fame her, Still our hearts swell with  
true to her - self ever to crouch to op - pres-sion, Who can yield to just  
plen - ty and peace, love and joy smile be - fore us, Raise a-loud, raise to -

### CHORUS

glad - ness when ev - er we name her.  
rule a more loy - al sub - mis - sion. Hur - rahl Hur - rahl the  
geth - er the heart thrill - ing cho - rus.

*rit.*

Old North State for - ev - er, Hur - rahl Hur - rahl the good Old North State.